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deletion of entries for a
directory server backing store

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following remarks are offered in response to the
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time is also included with this response.

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